



## Preventing Falls on the Farm or Ranch

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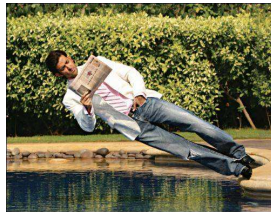


## What Triggers A Fall in Agriculture?





## Same Level Falls

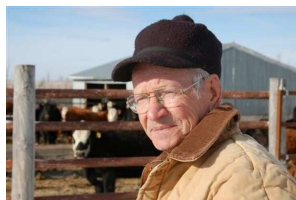


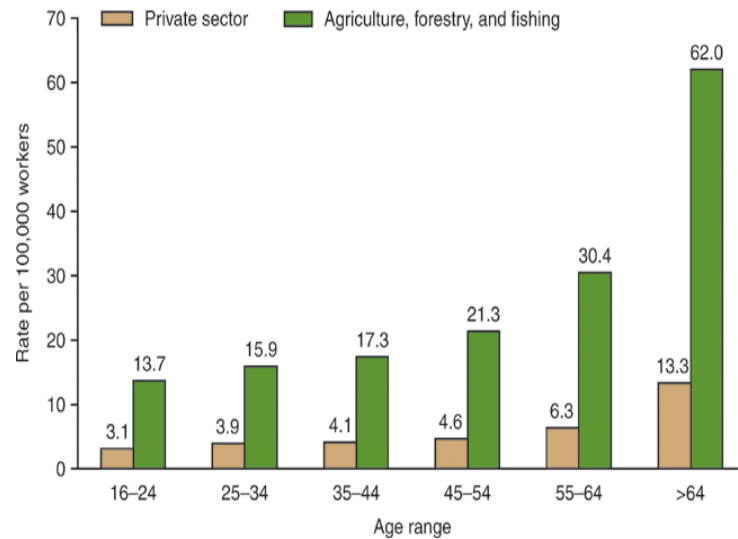
## Elevated Falls





**Age is an important factor when considering potential risk for injuries and falls.**





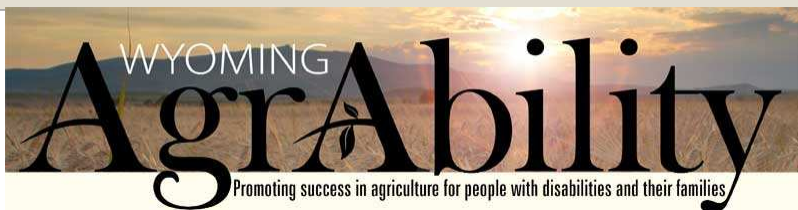
Fatal occupational injury rates in the agriculture, forestry, and fishing industry and the private sector by age, 1992-2001

(Sources: BLS [2002a]; Myers [2003].)



### Age-Related Changes as Risk Factors in Ranch/Farm Injuries, Falls and Fatalities:

- Vision
- Hearing
- Sense of Balance
- Muscular Capability



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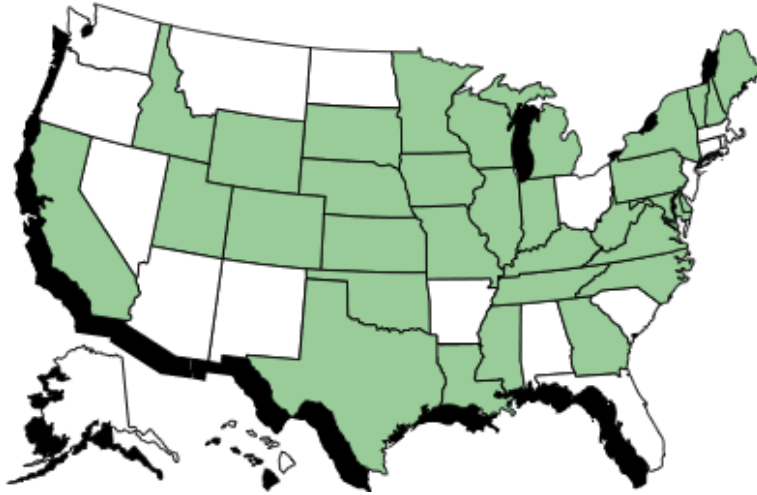
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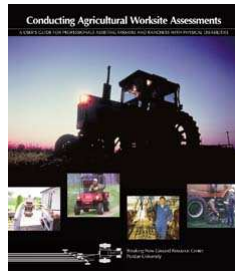


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